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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with [REDACTED] Office  
of Comptroller, re Budget History 1953-1956

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1. [REDACTED] said that the obligations for personal services were larger for Fiscal Year 1956 than for Fiscal Year 1953 in part because the obligations reported for Fiscal Year 1956 contained items which had been reported under other categories in the earlier budget. Certain contract personnel and special project personnel were included in the obligations reported for Fiscal Year 1956. This was not done in the earlier year. There was also a higher average salary.

2. Regarding the method for budgeting for personal services, he said that for Fiscal Year 1952 T/O's were used. Later the ceiling and the on duty figure was used for budgeting. Different offices used different figures depending upon whether they were expanding or contracting. The experience figures, those in the first column for the fiscal year just ended, were based upon on duty figures. The method for calculating these changed as pointed out in paragraph above.

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3. [REDACTED] said that he was preparing for a conference to be held on Nov. 19 and he would not be able to work on the materials until after that.

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